

E) REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is being filed contemporaneously with a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application to amend the drawings and specification. In the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated May 10, 2004, replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 were required because the originally filed drawings were not acceptable.

This preliminary amendment amends Figure 6 to add line 202 and sensor 216. Line 202 extends from controller 210 at one end and is connected to pressure sensor 216 at the other end. Additionally, the element number at the end of line 222 is amended from 216 to 220. This change is provided to resolve a discrepancy between lines 202 and 222. Support for this amendment may be found in the specification. Therefore, Applicant submits that no new matter has been added as a result of this amendment to the specification.

This preliminary amendment amends Figure 7, amending the element number of the line connecting sensor 216 to controller 210 from 222 to 202. This change is provided to resolve a discrepancy between lines 202 and 222. Support for this amendment may be found in the Specification. Therefore, Applicant submits that no new matter has been added as a result of this amendment to the specification.


This preliminary amendment amends Figure 8, the upper and lower photographs of tube samples are each replaced by a drawing.

In addition, this preliminary amendment amends the specification to correct discrepancies between element numbers appearing in Figures 6 and 7 and other formalities. Applicant submits that no new matter is being entered by this preliminary amendment.

If the Examiner believes that prosecution of this Application could be expedited by a telephone conference, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the Applicant.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1059.

Respectfully submitted,
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